Compulsory Crop Insurance Scheme

97. Sri H. B. JWALANAIAH (Hassan).—

Will the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Central Government has asked the opinion of the State Government about the Complusory Crop Insurance Scheme in the Mysore State ;

(*b*) if so, the opinion given by the State Government ?

Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Agriculture). –

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The provisions made in the Model Pilot Crop Insurance Scheme and Bill are acceptable. This may be implemented in Chitradurga District on Pilot Project Scale in the first instance or taken up on High Yielding Varieties or Hybrid in the Pilot Schemes. The proposal to collect 5 per cent insurable value as premium appears on the high side. This may perhaps be worked out on the same lines as in the case of other Insurance probably reducing it to 2 per cent. The State and Central Government should spare the administrative cost of the scheme not only in the pilot stage but even subseqnently on a 75 per cent Centre and 25 per cent State share pattern. Since this will be on the pattern of Centrally Sponsored Scheme, liberal grants should be provided by the Central Government.

School Complex System

115. Sri J. R. HALASWAMY (Jagalur).—

Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether " School Complex " system as recommended in the report of the Education Commmission 1964-66 to improve the standard of education has been implemented in the State ;

(*b*) if so, with what result ?

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) Is being implemented.

(*b*) As the scheme is still new and has not been tried out extensively and necessary orientation is yet to be provided, it is too early to assess the results achieved.